

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

ROBERT DOWELL : CIVIL ACTION

v.

THOMAS MCGINLEY, et al, : NO. 17-cv-02971-WD

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By KATE BARKMAN, Clerk
Deputy ORDER

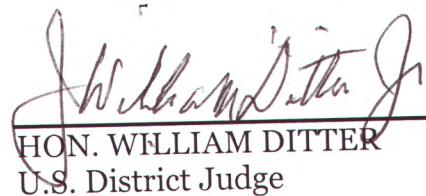
AND NOW this 12th day of September, 2018, upon careful and independent consideration of Robert Dowell's petition for writ of habeas corpus (Doc. No. 1, 1-1), the Commonwealth's response in opposition (Doc. No. 13), Dowell's Reply (Doc. No. 14) and the Report and Recommendation of U.S. Magistrate Judge Richard A. Lloret, it is ORDERED that:

1. The Report and Recommendation of Magistrate Judge Richard A. Lloret is APPROVED and ADOPTED;
2. Dowell's Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus is DENIED and DISMISSED with prejudice by separate Judgment, filed contemporaneously with this Order.
See Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 58(a); Rules Governing Section 2254 Cases in the United States District Courts, Rule 12;
3. No certificate of appealability shall issue under 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(1)(A) because "the applicant has [not] made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right[,]" under 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c)(2), since he has not demonstrated that "reasonable jurists" would find my "assessment of the constitutional claims debatable or wrong." *Slack v. McDaniel*, 529 U.S. 473, 484 (2000); *see United States v. Cepero*, 224 F.3d 256, 262-63 (3d Cir.

2000), abrogated on other grounds by *Gonzalez v. Thaler*, 565 U.S. 134 (2012); and,

4. The Clerk of Court shall mark this file closed.

BY THE COURT:



HON. WILLIAM DITTER
U.S. District Judge